

# Get ready for NIS2 with help from Mimecast

*The updated Network and Information Security (NIS) Directive takes effect in October 2024. Will your organization be prepared?*

## Understanding NIS2

### Establishing cybersecurity standards for the European Union

The Network and Information Security (NIS) Directive was introduced in 2016 and sought to enhance the overall security of network and information systems by requiring consistent cybersecurity practices.

### An updated, more comprehensive standard

An updated directive, known as NIS2 was published in January 2023 and is set to take effect in October 2024. This updated directive establishes further requirements that strengthen security measures, formalizes incident reporting requirements, and focuses on business continuity and supply chain security.

### Expanded scope and new requirements

Though all organizations stand to benefit from developing policies and procedures that comply with the NIS2 Directive, those that conduct business in the European Union should closely review the guidelines to understand how they are affected. The updated directive applies to thousands of organizations in various “essential” or “important” sectors, such as infrastructure, transportation, postal services, and many more.

### Fast facts about the updated NIS2 Directive:

- NIS2 was published by the European Union in January 2023, and member states have until October 2024 to begin enforcement
- New requirements include obligations to report incidents to cybersecurity authorities and require cyber risk education
- Penalties for noncompliance include administrative fines up to €10 million, as well as criminal sanctions and personal liability for negligent organizational leaders

## Trust Mimecast for NIS2 compliance

### Cyber risk management and incident handling

NIS2 aims to harmonize EU-wide cybersecurity requirements, included new obligations to report incidents to national authorities.

[Mimecast Advanced Email Security](#) helps safeguard critical communications and minimize risks to end users and ultimately the organization. Mimecast Email Incident Response offers automatic triaging and expert analysis of threats helping organizations efficiently respond to breaches and minimize their impact.

## Cybersecurity training

Your cybersecurity starts and ends with people. Invest in your people and make them part of the solution with [Mimecast Awareness Training](#). Inspire a culture of risk awareness with engaging content, test your employees' readiness with simulating phishing attacks, and find areas for improvement with dynamic risk scoring.

## Business continuity

### Email Continuity

Provide employees with continuous access to email no matter what happens. Mimecast Mailbox Continuity provides a 100% service availability SLA, minimizing the burden on IT and security teams with automated failover, multiple access options, and automatic failback, simplifying management of email continuity and ensuring continuous access to email during planned and unplanned outages.

### Sync and Recover

Automate data recovery for email with [Mimecast Sync & Recover](#). Email continues to be the preferred business communication tool for organizations around the globe, and protecting this data against loss or corruption is imperative. Sync & Recover delivers rapid and granular recovery of mailboxes, calendar items, tasks, notes, and contacts lost through inadvertent or malicious deletion or corruption.

**NIS2 takes effect in October 2024 - will you be ready?  
Contact your Mimecast account team for more information.**